



# JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE FERRIES FINANCING STUDY II

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Cedar River Group







# Legislative Direction

2007 – ESHB 2358/2008 – SSB 6932 & Budget Provisos

#### **Areas of JTC Focus**

# Ferries' Planning - Participation & Independent Review

Ridership forecast

Market Survey

Level of service standard

Pricing and operational strategies

#### Ferries' Vessel Studies

Vessel preservation and replacement

Vessel sizing and acquisition

#### Ferries' Finances - Operating & Capital

Capital - staffing & admin, systemwide, LCCM, pre-design

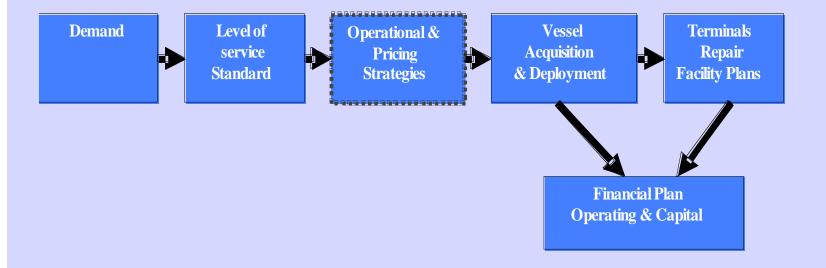
Operating – management and support, non-labor, non-fuel

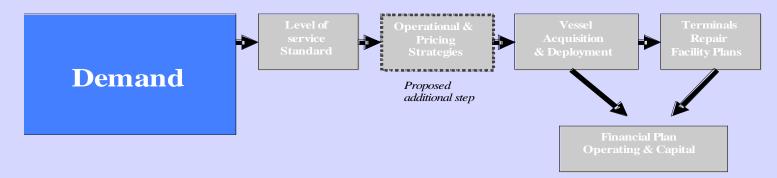
#### Long-Range Plan – Participation & Independent Review

Capital finance – confirm Ferries estimates of future capital

Long-Range Plan – participate & review

# Ferry Finance Model – Recommended 2006





#### **Revised Ridership Forecast**

Revised model developed

Baseline forecast complete

Additional work needed on recreational users

JTC has participated and provided independent review Concur with forecasting methodology

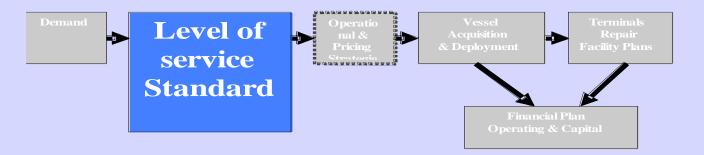
Concur with initial baseline forecasts/on-going tech review

Change from 2006 Plan which had 70% growth

37% growth 2006-2030/26% 1999-2030

#### **Market Survey**

WSTC conducting/Ferries incorporating into planning JTC participation & review



#### Vehicle level of service standard

Situational assessment complete

Ferries reviewed with Ferry Advisory Committees

JTC has participated in and reviewed the situational assessment Ferries to recommend:

How to measure level of service

Revised vehicle level of service

JTC will participate in and review Ferries' proposal

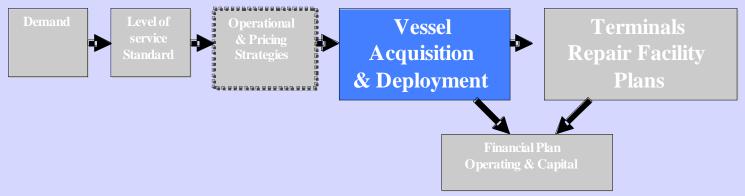


# **Operating & Pricing Strategies**

Situational assessment complete

JTC participated in and reviewed situational assessment
Reviewing with Ferry Advisory Committees - June
Focused on leveling vehicle demand
Ferries to recommend:

Operational and pricing strategies by route JTC will participate in and review Ferries' proposal



#### **Vessel Preservation & Replacement**

**SSB 6932** – 2008 Session

Capital plan must include:

Vessel preservation plan

Systemwide vessel rebuild and replacement plan

Projected retirement dates for all vessels

Timelines for vessel replacement

Rebuild dates for all vessels

Summary of the condition of all vessels

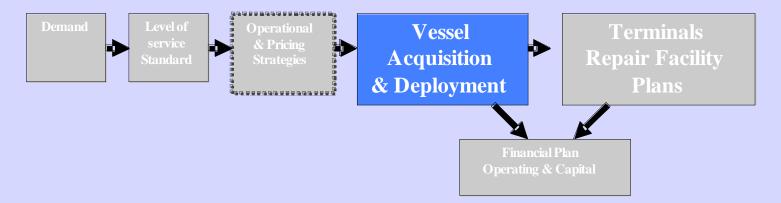
Vessel deployment plan

Budget must include status reports on

Maintenance & preservation of vessels

Deviations from vessel preservation plan

Decisions not to invest in or invest early in preservation



# Vessel Timing & Sizing of Acquisitions – 2008 – Draft Scope

Vessel Life Assumption 60 years

Considerations

Cost-benefit of 30 year vs. 60

Out of Service Time - Relief & Standby Vessels Required

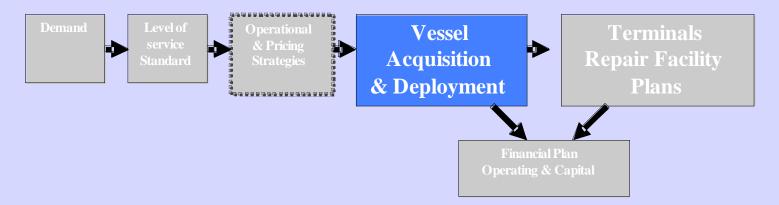
Drydock space

Dockside preservation

Repairs underway

Standards for out-of-service time

Relief and standby vessels required



# **Vessel Timing & Sizing of Acquisitions – 2008 – Draft Scope**

Deployment and Scheduling

Fleet utilization

Schedule

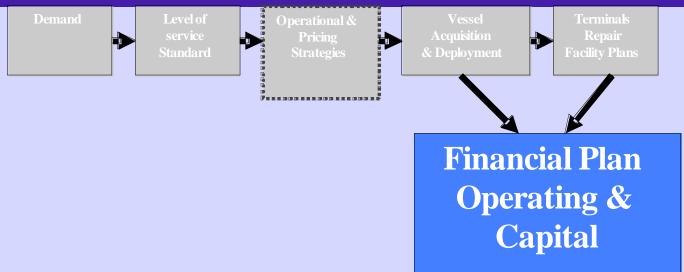
Extra runs

Ferry fleet planning simulation

Vessel Sizing

Fleet analysis

Design features



# **JTC Capital Cost Reviews**

Vessel - Prioritize vessel preservation

Staffing & administration – 2008 budget provisos

Capital staffing level – Jan. 1, 2008 level

Ensure core competency in preservation

Systemwide – 2008 study

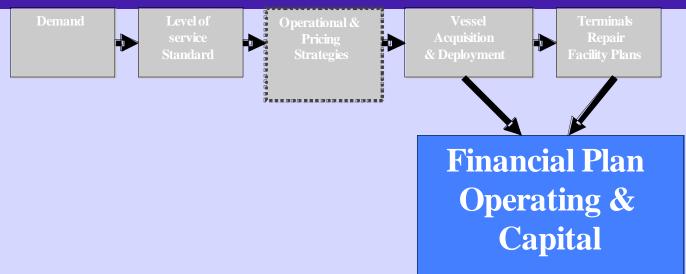
Cost allocation – systemwide & administrative costs

LCCM - Terminals

Terminals – redone - \$106 million reduction -2008 session

Vessels – needs update – steel preservation not included

Pre-design – 2358 requirements – review Ferries' initial report

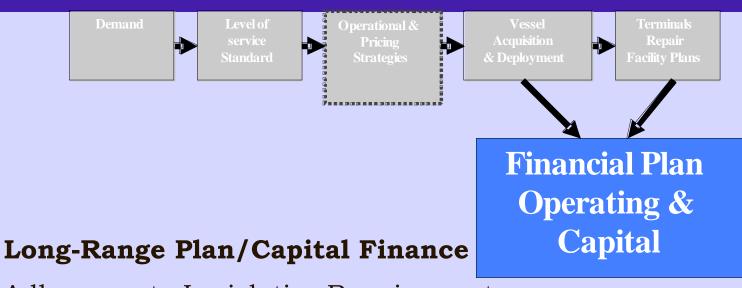


# **JTC Operating Cost Reviews**

2006 – Labor and fuel

Management and Support – Draft under review by WSDOT/Ferries

Non-labor, non-fuel costs – Draft to JTC



Adherence to Legislative Requirements

Ridership forecast

Vehicle level of service standard

Operational and pricing strategies

Terminal design standards

Capital Plan Review

Terminal capital plan

Vessel capital plan

Capital program staffing and administration

**Total Capital Requirements** 

Review Ferries' estimate/Input to WSTC revenue study